

WASHINGTON (November 3, 2009) - Congressman Spencer Bachus (AL-6) today expressed his opposition to Speaker Nancy Pelosi's government-run health care proposal during a speech on the floor of the House of Representatives.

Bachus delivered the following remarks which you can also view by [clicking here](#). □

**If there is one common denominator in Congress this year, it is the substitution of the government for the individual.**

**With the stimulus, the multiple bailouts, climate change, financial reform, and now health care, instead of you making the choice, the government is making the choice for you.**

**As we've seen time after time, when you substitute a government-controlled and run program for individual choice, the cost goes up and the quality goes down.□ When it comes to health care, there is nothing more important than quality and choice.**

**Given the choice, I will always place my faith in the individual, not the government, and this time is no different.**

**The U.S. is the world's largest economy.□ It is three times larger than Japan, our closest competitor, and it's larger than the economies of Japan, China, Germany, and Great Britain combined.**

**We got there through innovation, choice, competition, and individual initiative and responsibility - not government control and management.**

**Let's keep it that way.**

